

What is claimed is:

1 1. A wireless terminal for communicating pictures via a
2 wireless communication system, the wireless terminal comprising:

3 A) a clip-art picture manager, for managing clip-art pictures
4 including maintaining the clip-art pictures in galleries, each
5 gallery including a plurality of clip-art pictures and each
6 gallery of a size suitable for communication as a single
7 wireless message, and for providing at least one clip-art
8 picture from at least one of the galleries;

9 B) a gallery folder, for storing the galleries of clip-art
10 pictures in a memory device of the wireless terminal;

11 C) a transceiver, for receiving and sending a message including
12 at least one clip-art picture;

13 D) a display screen for displaying clip-art pictures; and

14 E) keys including keys of a numeric keypad as well as soft
15 keys.

16 2. A wireless terminal as in claim 1, wherein the clip-art
17 picture manager in turn comprises:

18 a) a gallery selector, for enabling a user to view galleries in
19 a gallery folder, to select a gallery from the gallery folder,
20 and to save a gallery in the gallery folder;

21 b) a clip-art picture editor, for enabling a user to edit a
22 clip-art picture in a gallery, and to create a new clip-art
23 picture to be included in a gallery;

24 c) a gallery communicator, for selecting a gallery from the
25 galleries in the gallery folder via the gallery selector, and

11 for providing the selected gallery in a format suitable for
12 transmission by the transceiver.

1 3. A wireless terminal as in claim 1, further comprising a
2 graphic message handler, for enabling a user to create a text
3 message with at least one clip-art picture and including
4 information indicating where in the text the clip-art picture is
5 intended to be located, thereby providing an in-line graphics
6 message.

1 4. A wireless terminal as in claim 1, wherein the transceiver
2 includes an automatic recognition module, for determining
3 whether or not a received message includes a clip-art picture.

1 5. A wireless terminal as in claim 4, wherein the automatic
2 recognition module further distinguishes between an in-line
3 graphics message and a message consisting of a gallery of clip-
4 art.

1 6. A wireless terminal as in claim 2, wherein the picture
2 editor of the wireless terminal communicates with a picture
3 editor of another wireless terminal so as to allow the user of
4 the other wireless terminal to participate in drawing a clip-art
5 picture being created on the wireless terminal, thereby allowing
6 group drawing of clip-art pictures.

1 7. A wireless terminal as in claim 2, wherein the picture
2 editor provides an interface in which a user uses keys of the
3 numeric keypad of the wireless terminal to draw or edit a clip-
4 art picture, the interface providing a virtual pen in that the
5 numeric keys of the keypad move a cursor about on the display
6 screen of the wireless terminal, and, based on a pen state a

7 user is able indicate to the picture editor interface, in moving
8 the cursor from one point on the display screen to another,
9 either a solid line results, a dashed line, a white line, or no
10 line at all.

1 8. A wireless terminal as in claim 2, wherein the picture
2 editor provides an interface through which a user is able to add
3 features to an existing clip-art picture, invert an existing
4 clip-art picture, or mirror an existing clip-art picture.

1 9. A wireless terminal for communicating pictures via a
2 wireless communication system, the wireless terminal comprising:

- 3 a) a picture manager, for managing pictures including
4 maintaining the pictures in a memory device of the wireless
5 terminal, the picture manager in turn including a picture
6 editor, for enabling a user to edit an existing picture or
7 create a new picture;
8 b) a transceiver, for receiving and sending a message including
9 at least one picture;
10 c) a display screen for displaying pictures; and
11 d) keys including keys of a numeric keypad as well as soft
12 keys.

1 10. The wireless terminal of claim 9, wherein the picture
2 editor of the wireless terminal communicates with a picture
3 editor of another wireless terminal so as to allow the user of
4 the other wireless terminal to participate in drawing a picture
5 being created on the wireless terminal, thereby allowing group
6 drawing of pictures.

1 11. The wireless terminal of claim 9, wherein the picture